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Monitor National Marine Sanctuary

100 Museum Drive

Newport News, VA 23606

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Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in serving as a representative on the *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council. Enclosed, please find an application form, the Advisory Council Charter and general information about the Sanctuary. We are currently recruiting representatives for the following positions: **Recreational Diving; Maritime Archaeological Research; Conservation; Heritage Tourism; and Citizen-At-Large.**

Application Guidelines:

Completed applications should provide information regarding the candidate's particular interests, qualifications and experience and address the itemized topics to the best of their abilities. The following are general expectations and qualifications for each of the seats:

Recreational Diving: knowledge of recreational diving activities within the Sanctuary region; and ability and willingness to communicate with key representatives from the recreational diving community.

Maritime Archaeological Research: Affiliation with archaeological research institutions or organizations; ability to effectively communicate with multiple institutions and maritime archaeologists.

Conservation: Affiliation with marine artifact conservation institutions or organizations; direct experience with marine artifact conservation.

Heritage Tourism: knowledge of the U.S.S. *Monitor*; experience and knowledge regarding heritage tourism within the Sanctuary region; and ability and willingness to communicate with key representatives from the heritage tourism community.

Citizen-At-Large: interest in the U.S.S. *Monitor* and the *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary; residence within the sanctuary region.

Council Member Expectations:

Council representative terms for non-governmental members are two years in length and are staggered to establish continuity within the Council. Governmental members of the Council serve at the discretion of their agency or entity and do not have a term limit.

Council representatives are expected to attend all Advisory Council meetings. One to two meetings will be held each year. Members of the Council shall serve without pay but the Sanctuary program will cover travel expenses to and from official Council meetings.

Your completed application form **must be received at our office no later than November 9, 2007**. Please mail, fax or email your application to:

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Thank you for your interest in the *Monitor* National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council.

Sincerely,

Krista Trono
Advisory Council Coordinator